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A.—(*a*) *to* (*c*) A block 320 acres in extent in Tillaivilagam village, Tiruturaipundi taluk, Tanjore district, was reserved in 1888 and disforested in 1896.

(*d*) & (*e*) The Government have no information, but do not consider that the condition of such a small area would be likely to affect the rainfall of the surrounding tract.

Forest cases in Kallakurichi.

407 *Q.*—Mr. R. Srinivasa Ayyangar : Will the hon. the Home Member and the hon. the Member for Revenue be pleased to state the number of forest cases instituted in 1921, 1922 and 1923 in the Court of the Stationary Sub-Magistrate, Kallakurichi, in South Arcot district?

A.—The number of forest cases instituted is as follows:—

1921	1,382
1922	1,446
1923	1,569

Extent of disafforestation in the Kurnool district.

408 *Q.*—Rao Bahadur C. Venkataranga Reddi : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(*a*) the names and extent of reserve forests in the Kurnool district that have been disafforested during the official year;

(*b*) the names and extent of reserve forests which have been recommended for disafforestation;

(*c*) the extent of cultivable land in the disafforested reserves;

(*d*) whether any such land has been assigned on patta to depressed classes and, if so, the extent of such land?

A.—(*a*) The names and extent of reserve forests in the Kurnool district disforested during the current official year are given below:—

Name of reserve.	Area in acres.
Gani reserve (portion)...	588
Jaladurgam reserve (portions)	1,256
Peddapaya reserve (portion)	28
Devagudipad reserve (portion)	20
Tellulakonda Extension II (portions) ...	240
Peapally Extension I (portion)	176

(*b*) No recommendation is now pending with Government.

(*c*) & (*d*) The Government have no information.

Tanks in disuse in the forest areas of the Kurnool district.

409 *Q.*—Mr. K. Sarabha Reddi : Will the hon. the Home Member be pleased to state—

(1) whether the Government have undertaken to investigate the possibilities of restoring the tanks now in disuse in the forest areas of the Kurnool district; and

(2) whether the Government propose to depute an officer to make an inventory of all such tanks and to frame schemes for their restoration?